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On February 23, 1965, the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation received a telephone call from Mrs. C. V. Garwood, 1215 Lunar Lane, Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Garwood furnished the following information:

She stated that she had just finished reading "World's Most Wanted Criminal" in the March, 1965 issue of the Reader's Digest. She said that the article concerned Martin Bormann and an offer by the public prosecutor of the state of Hesse, West Germany of \$25,000 for information leading to the arrest of Bormann. Mrs. Garwood was quite certain that a former neighbor of hers is identical with Martin Bormann.

She advised that from sometime in 1961 to the last day of June, 1963 a man she knew by the name of Ewald Kramer rented a furnished apartment at 1203 Lunar Lane, Dallas, Texas, with his wife, Martha, son Edward, who was three and one-half years old and was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and son Eric, who was born on January 5, 1963, at Baylor Hospital, Dallas.

Mrs. Garwood said she was convinced that Kramer was Bormann because he "fits perfectly" the description set forth in the Reader's Digest article. She said that Kramer had a thick German-type accent even though he claimed he had been born in Brazil. She described Kramer as being between sixty-one and sixty-two years old, five feet six inches tall, "very

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sloping and rounded shoulders," solidly built, brown eyes "which were quite expressionless," weight of about one hundred and eighty pounds, bald except for a fringe of dark brown hair, "square hands," a deep voice, and had a pasty, waxy complexion.

While Kramer was in Dallas, Mrs. Garwood stated that he worked as a pathologist with Dr. Perry at Baylor Hospital. She said that Kramer was "well-suited for that kind of work because of his total lack of humanity." She also quoted Kramer's wife, Martha, as saying that "my husband is so uncompassionate - he has no feeling for the dead."

Mrs. Garwood described Martha Kramer as being about five feet two inches tall, weighing about one hundred and twenty pounds, very black hair, brown eyes, "heavy legs," and having a very sweet and pretty face. She said she was not sure of Martha's age but thought it to be in the late thirties. Martha was Spanish in appearance, spoke Portuguese and English languages, and was born in Brazil, Mrs. Garwood advised. While living in Dallas, Martha worked as a scrub nurse in surgery at Baylor Hospital. She said that Martha often told her she was afraid of Ewald and one evening, under apparent emotional stress, said to her "I could tell you so many things and I have a good mind to." Martha did not elaborate any further except to say to Mrs. Garwood that "if something ever happens to Ewald or I, please take care of the children." She felt Martha trusted her because she often took care of Martha's children and did the Kramer's laundry.

Martha told Mrs. Garwood that she was born in Brazil and had a very well-educated and wealthy family. Martha said she had a brother who was a lawyer in Brazil and a sister, Annita Lins, who reared her. Annita's address as furnished by Mrs. Garwood is:

Annita Lins
Avenue Oswaldo Cruz 133, Apartment 101
Botafogo Guanabara
Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
Telephone number 45-4413

While the Kramers lived in Dallas, a Mrs. Balingen took care of the two Kramer children, Mrs. Garwood stated.

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She also advised that Mrs. Balinger lived near Baylor Hospital and a nursery school where the Kramers children were also taken care of while their parents worked.

Mrs. Garwood said that in either 1956 or 1957, the Kramers arrived in Tulsa, Oklahoma, from Brazil. While in Tulsa, Ewald studied to be a pathologist. In Tulsa, the Kramers made a close acquaintanceship with a Mrs. Edna G. Mc Dade and when the Kramers moved to Dallas in 1961, Mrs. Mc Dade did so too. She advised that Mrs. Mc Dade now lives at 2807 Avenue L, P. O. Box 387, Hondo, Texas, where she owns the Hondo newspaper. Mrs. Mc Dade's telephone number is HA 6-3189. Mrs. Mc Dade has a son who is now living in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who was also a good friend of the Kramers.

She advised that on the last day of June, 1963, Dr. Perry, who had purchased the Kramer's car two weeks previously, drove the Kramers to Houston, Texas. The Kramers were in Houston for three days before traveling via airplane to Brazil.

Mrs. Garwood stated that when she did not hear from Martha for quite sometime, she telephonically contacted Dr. Perry who furnished her with the following address for the Kramers:

Avenida Amaral
Peixoto 472/9/905
Niteroi Rio, Brazil

Mrs. Garwood said that this address represented a small town just outside of Rio De Janeiro, Brazil. She advised that even though she has written to this address, she has never received a reply nor have her letters been returned. Mrs. Garwood has not had any contact with the Kramers since they left Dallas, Texas.